## § 447.300

#### § 447.300 Basis and purpose.

In this subpart, §447.302 through §447.325 and §447.361 implement section 1902(a)(30) of the Act, which requires that payments be consistent with efficiency, economy and quality of care. Section 447.371 implements section 1902(a)(15) of the Act, which requires that the State plan provide for payment for rural health clinic services in accordance with regulations prescribed by the Secretary.

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## § 447.302 State plan requirements.

A State plan must provide that the requirements of this subpart are met.

[46 FR 48560, Oct. 1, 1981]

## § 447.304 Adherence to upper limits;

- (a) The Medicaid agency must not pay more than the upper limits described in this subpart.
- (b) In the case of payments made under the plan for deductibles and coinsurance payable on an assigned Medicare claim for noninstitutional services, those payments may be made only up to the reasonable charge under Medicare.
- (c) FFP is not available for a State's expenditures for services that are in excess of the amounts allowable under this subpart.

Note: The Secretary may waive any limitation on reimbursement imposed by subpart F of this part for experiments conducted under section 402 of Pub. L. 90–428, Incentives for Economy Experimentation, as amended by section 222(b) of Pub. L. 92–603, and under section 222(a) of Pub. L. 92–603.

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OUTPATIENT HOSPITAL AND CLINIC SERVICES

## § 447.321 Outpatient hospital and clinic services: Application of upper payment limits.

- (a) *Scope*. This section applies to rates set by the agency to pay for outpatient services furnished by hospitals and clinics within one of the following categories:
- (1) State government-owned or operated facilities (that is, all facilities

that are owned or operated by the State.)

- (2) Non-State government owned or operated facilities (that is, all government operated facilities that are neither owned nor operated by the State).
- (3) Privately-owned and operated facilities.
- (b) General rules. (1) Upper payment limit refers to a reasonable estimate of the amount that would be paid for the services furnished by the group of facilities under Medicare payment principles in subchapter B of this chapter.
- (2) Except as provided in paragraph (c) of this section, aggregate Medicaid payments to a group of facilities within one of the categories described in paragraph (a) of this section may not exceed the upper payment limit described in paragraph (b)(1) of this section.
- (c) Exceptions. Indian Health Services and tribal facilities. The limitation in paragraph (b) of this section does not apply to Indian Health Services facilities and tribal facilities that are funded through the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (Pub. L. 93–638).
- (d) Compliance dates. Except as permitted under paragraph (e) of this section, a State must comply with the upper payment limit described in paragraph (b)(1) of this section by one of the following dates:
- (1) For non-State government-owned or operated hospitals—March 19, 2002.
- (2) For all other facilities—March 13, 2001.

[66 FR 3176, Jan. 12, 2001, as amended at 66 FR 46399, Sept. 5, 2001; 67 FR 2611, Jan. 18, 2002; 72 FR 29835, May 29, 2007; 75 FR 73975, Nov. 30, 2010; 77 FR 31513, May 29, 2012]

OTHER INPATIENT AND OUTPATIENT FACILITIES

# § 447.325 Other inpatient and outpatient facility services: Upper limits of payment.

The agency may pay the customary charges of the provider but must not pay more than the prevailing charges in the locality for comparable services under comparable circumstances.